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The 118th Annual Congregational Meeting and Installation of Officers – Thursday, May 11

Continuing its 118 year-old tradition, Park Avenue Synagogue held its annual meeting of the congregation at 7 P.M. on Thursday, May 11th. A buffet dinner to which the entire congregation was invited was served before the meeting.

The Chairman of the Board, Geoffrey J. Colvin, delivered the Annual Report and Rabbis David H. Lincoln, Kenneth A. Stern and Miriam C. Berkowitz installed into office the newly elected Officers, Trustees and members of the Advisory Council of the congregation, as well as the officers of the various "arms" of the synagogue. Cantor Nancy Abramson conducted the Memorial Service for those members of the congregation who passed away since last year's annual meeting.

Installed into office were the following persons by organization:

Officers of the Congregation

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Also installed into office as Trustees of the Congregation were, for the Class of 2003: Les Agisim, Nadine Cohen, Geoffrey J. Colvin, Laurie Harris, Ellen Harrow, Joel S. Hirschtritt, Brian Lustbader, Dr. Morris M. Podolsky, Menachem Z. Rosensaft, Joann Rosoff, Howard Rubin and Adam Usdan.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Advisory Council consists of: Al Appel, Marcia Colvin, James Druckman, Rachael First, Dr. Herbert Frommer, Eleanore Geringer, Anita Gluck, Dr. Katherina Grunfeld, Martin Halbfinger,

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Chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, Rabbi Irving Greenberg, Will Deliver the Annual Sherr Lecture on Tuesday Evening, June 13

The Park Avenue Synagogue Sherr Institute of Adult Jewish Studies is extremely proud to announce that Rabbi Irving Greenberg, Chairman of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, will address the congregation at its Annual Sherr Lecture. This major synagogue event will take place at 7P.M. on Tuesday, June 13, 2000.

Rabbi Irving (Yitz) Greenberg is the **President of Jewish Life Network (JLN)**, a Judy and Michael Steinhardt Foundation. JLN's mission is to create new institutions and initiatives to enrich the inner life (religious, cultural, institutional) of American Jewry. Amongst initial projects are The Partnership for Excellence in Jewish Education; MAKOR, a center for Jews in their 20's and 30's; and Birthright Israel, a worldwide program to enable diaspora Jewish youth to visit and study in Israel.

He also serves as **Chairman of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council**. The Council is charged with responsibility for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum on the Mall in Washington, D.C. and the tasks of preserving the memory and drawing the lessons of the Holocaust on behalf of the United States government and the American people.

An ordained Orthodox rabbi, a Harvard Ph.D. and a distinguished scholar, Rabbi Greenberg has been a seminal thinker in confronting the Holocaust as an historical transforming event, and Israel as the Jewish assumption of power and the beginning of a third era in Jewish history.



In his book, *Interpreters of Judaism in the Late Twentieth Century*, Professor Steven T. Katz wrote, "No Jewish thinker has had a greater impact on the American Jewish community in the last two decades than Irving (Yitz) Greenberg." Rabbi Greenberg has published numerous articles and monographs on Jewish thought and religion, as well as several books, including *The Jewish Way: Living the Holidays* (1988), a philosophy of

Judaism based on an analysis of the Sabbath and holidays, and *Living in the Image of God: Jewish Teachings to Perfect the World* (1998).

From 1979 through 1997, he served as **founding President of CLAL-The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership**, a pioneering institution in the development of adult and leadership education in the Jewish community and the leading organization in intra-Jewish dialogue and the work of Jewish unity. Before CLAL was founded, he served as Rabbi of the Riverdale Jewish Center, as Associate Professor of History at Yeshiva University, and as **founder, chairman and Professor of the Department of Jewish Studies of City College of the City University of New York**.

As such, the distinguished rabbi is listed in the *Directory of American Scholars*, *Who's Who in American Religion*, *Who's Who in World Jewry*, and *Who's Who in American Jewry*.

We are sure that you will want to reserve Tuesday evening, June 13th to hear Rabbi Irving Greenberg's address at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Rabbinic Ruminations



With warm weather upon us and Shabbat ending at "un-godly hours," so to speak, I regularly visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art on Saturdays following the conclusion of our *mincha* (afternoon) services and stay until they're ready to close for the night.

I spend the day resting at home, reading, walking in the park, celebrating God's creation. But the last few hours in the museum are a celebration of human creativity with gifts from God. The true artist, God, has transmitted the spark of innovation and inspiration from which the human artist fashions something new that combines the divine blessing with something (the soul, perhaps?) from within him/herself.

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SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES for SUMMER, 2000

Friday evening, June 2.....6:15 P.M.

WEG Annual Shabbat Service
followed by a Congregational Shabbat Dinner
(by advance reservation)

Saturday morning, June 3.....9:15 A.M.

Bat Mitzvah of Maya Leigh Sekons
daughter of Bella Sekons and Dr. David Sekons

Saturday afternoon, June 3.....6:00 P.M.

EREV SHAVUOT
Tikun Leyl Shavuot Service

Thursday evening, June 8.....7:30 P.M.

First Day of Shavuot

Friday morning, June 9.....9:15 A.M.

Hashkama Service.....7:30 A.M.

Friday evening, June 9.....6:15 P.M.

Second Day of Shavuot

Saturday morning, June 10.....9:15 A.M.

Hashkama Service.....7:30 A.M.

Rabbi Judah Nadich High School Graduation

Saturday afternoon, June 10.....6:00 P.M.

Friday evening, June 16.....6:15 P.M.

Children's Birthday Celebration

Saturday morning, June 17.....9:15 A.M.

Bat Mitzvah of Brittany Alexa Sugarman
daughter of Tara Kriss and Stuart Sugarman

Saturday afternoon, June 17.....6:00 P.M.

Friday evening, June 23.....6:15 P.M.

Saturday morning, June 24.....9:15 A.M.

Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Allison Tannenbaum
daughter of Laura and George Tannenbaum

Saturday afternoon, June 24.....6:00 P.M.

Friday evening, June 30.....6:15 P.M.

Saturday morning, July 1.....9:15 A.M.

Saturday afternoon, July 1.....6:00 P.M.

Rabbi David H. Lincoln, Rabbi Kenneth A. Stern and Rabbi Miriam C. Berkowitz will preach and conduct the services together with Cantor David Lefkowitz and Cantor Nancy Abramson and the Synagogue Choir, with Neil Robinson at the organ.

Nitzanim Service (for children in kindergarten through 2nd grade and their parents) every Saturday morning from 10:30 to 11:30 A.M. in Room 408.

*Baby sitting for children 2 to 5 years of age is available
every Saturday morning from 9:15 A.M. to 12 Noon.*

The human artist imitates God. God took chaos and basic elements, shaped a universe and set it in motion. The artist takes brush or pen, mallet or chisel, glass and sand, clay, wood and metal, paint, water and oil—lifeless, formless elements—and breathes into them his/her vision and imagination to bring about a work of art that brings joy, enhances the world with beauty and makes life more livable.

While I don't pretend to understand or appreciate everything I see in the museum (innate prejudices have me convinced that some "art" is not really art, but an attempt to

put one over on the masses), I try to keep an open mind and I love being surprised. (My wife and I were both enthralled and captivated with a work by Gino Severini that we had never seen before!)

What I have written about the visual arts holds true no less for other creative endeavors: the composer who, with black notes, black lines and black symbols on white paper writes the sounds that a vocalist or instrumentalist, with voice or hands, transmutes into the sounds of music, filling the vacuum of silence. So, too, with master smiths, weavers, etc.

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Congregational Meeting

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Julie Hascoe, Stephen Kesselman, Marian Levitt, Steven Mandelsberg, Lawrence Mittman, Robert Olden, Arthur Penn, Dr. Mark Pruzansky, Dr. Alain Roizen, Jean Rosensaft, Shereen Rutman, Joan Schreiber, Annette Sherman, Susan Silverman, Margot Steinberg, Miriam Wallerstein.

The **Trustees for the year 2000-2001** are the Presidents of the various Arms of the Synagogue:

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June B'not Mitzvah



Brittany Alexa Sugarman
June 17, 2000

Brittany Sugarman has attended the Park Avenue Synagogue Congregational School since early childhood. She is presently a seventh grade student at the Baruch Middle School where she is a member of Arista. In September, she will be continuing her education at Poly Prep Country Day School.

Her extra curricular activities include the swim team at Asphalt Green, roller blading, skiing, rock climbing and talking with her buddies online.

Brittany enjoys spending her summers in the Berkshires at Camp Watitoh. Her favorite activities there are swimming and Lacrosse.



Sarah Allison Tannenbaum
June 24, 2000

Sarah Tannenbaum has attended the Park Avenue Synagogue Congregational School for the past two years and looks forward to participating in the Hebrew high school.

As a seventh grader at the Brearley School, she has been a member of the middle school orchestra for the past three years, playing the viola. Her favorite subjects there are history, math and Latin.

However, Sarah's true passion is swimming. For the past four years, she has been swimming competitively on Asphalt Green's AGUA Swim Team. Her specialty is the butterfly. During the summer, Sarah attends a competitive swim camp, Camp Ak-O-Mak, in Northern Ontario, Canada where she holds the camp record in the two-mile butterfly.

After camp this summer, she will join her family vacationing in Israel.

Rabbinic Ruminations

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Imbued with the divine spark, human creation is, in and of itself, an expression of homage to God. So after I have prayed in shul, I participate in a different kind of prayer service in the museum. What better way is there to complete the celebration of Shabbat?!

— **Rabbi Kenneth A. Stern**

About Shavuot

Shavuot, the Festival of Weeks or Pentecost, is celebrated exactly seven weeks after Passover. It is observed for one day in Israel and for two days for those of us who live in the diaspora.

Originally, Shavuot was solely an agricultural festival, a time of ceremony and rejoicing when the first fruits were brought to Jerusalem. But, in time, it became associated historically with the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai.

During the services on this Festival, we read the Ten Commandments and the general theme is the Jewish love of learning. Also, the Book of Ruth is read at this time because it shows the great devotion of Ruth to her adopted faith and people.

Among the customs associated with this Festival are decorating the synagogue with flowers, all night study (*Tikun Leyl Shavuot*), and the eating of dairy foods which is symbolic of the concept of Israel as the land of milk and honey.

Editor's Note:

The **Summer 2000** issue of the *Park Avenue Synagogue BULLETIN* covers the months of **June, July and August**.

End-of-Year Message From the Congregational School

The academic year has ended, a year of work, progress and joy. We plan the program carefully so that the students will appreciate the work, the activities and, above all, have a sense of great achievement. During the year, we emphasized synagogue skills, especially in the sixth and seventh grades: how to put on Tefilin and to learn the weekday services. We believe it is important for children to feel part of the Jewish community, whether they are at their own synagogue, at college or abroad.

Our school is one of the Conservative schools which still teaches and places a lot of value on teaching the Hebrew language. In the past two years, we have been developing a language curriculum which answers our specific needs. Dr. Rivka Halperin, our expert language teacher, has been working on the curriculum which has been implemented into the various levels of our Hebrew language program.

The high school students are strongly connected to Judaism. Even though they are very involved in their secular studies and other activities such as sports, theater or their school newspapers, they always find time to come by and participate in the studies in our school. In the high school, we emphasize the importance of participating in such activities as Friday night dinners, trips and retreats, all of which help cement relationships and friendships among them.

Our great achievements, in both the elementary and high schools, are possible because of our outstanding faculty. Our teachers are skilled, dedicated, and always ready to try new things, to add new programs or change existing ones. And, above all, they respect their students and work very hard to teach in ways that will interest and capture their attention.

We would like to thank the clergy who work closely with the schools and are always ready to teach and guide our students. The School Board has been supportive and helpful with their program ideas and involvement, as well as in inviting new students into the elementary and high schools. We thank the Parents' Association for their dedication and generous contributions to the schools.

Have a great summer!

— Varda Hubara,
Educational Director

The Passover Fund 2000

Park Avenue Synagogue thanks its members and friends for their generous response to this year's *Ma'ot Hittin Passover Appeal*. Thank you:

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(Donations from April 1 through April 28)

Tikun Leyl Shavuot Thursday Evening, June 8

It is traditional to spend the first night of Shavuot studying Torah because it is on Shavuot that we celebrate the giving of the Torah to Moses and the Jewish people. This tradition is called *Tikun Leyl Shavuot*.

This year, the observance of *Tikun Leyl Shavuot* at Park Avenue Synagogue will be somewhat different than in the past, weather permitting. At 7:30 P.M., there will be a "Roof Top Service" for both adults and children attending Day Schools in our area. Prayers will be recited and Divrei Torah given.

And while you are up there, you can observe **one of the primary images of the Festival of Shavuot, the image of Moses holding the Ten Commandments, etched in glass**. Both the glass etching and the Ritter Sukkah, which we enjoy so much during the Festival of Sukkot, were donated to the Park Avenue Synagogue from the Gerald and May Ellen Ritter Foundation of which Gerald Silber, a longtime member and an honorary vice

president of our congregation, was the president. When you are up there, please remember to look for the glass etching of Moses and the Ten Commandments.

After the study session, cheesecake and coffee, in honor of the tradition of eating dairy foods on Shavuot, will be served.

Celebrate Your Children's Birthdays

at Park Avenue Synagogue's
Friday Night Service and
birthday celebration for children with
birthdays during the months
of June, July and August on
Friday, June 16 at 6:15 P.M.

Bring Shabbat into your
children's lives!
Especially for their birthdays!
Come as a family and celebrate!

Tisha B'Av Will Be Observed on Wednesday Evening, August 9

From sundown, Wednesday, August 9th to the night of Thursday, August 10th, Tisha B'Av (the ninth day of the month of Av) is observed by Jews worldwide as a day of remembrance of the many tragic events in Jewish history.

At Park Avenue Synagogue, a special service in observance of Tisha B'Av will take place on Wednesday evening, August 9, beginning at 8 P.M.

In this service, the lights are dimmed, candles are lit, and the tragic events of the Jewish historical past are recalled through readings in the Book of Lamentations, selections of appropriate poetry, and the singing of liturgical music.

Thank You From the Parents' Association

The PAS Parents' Association has had a wonderful year. The money raised this year allowed us to enrich our children's Jewish education. We were also able to build new wall units in rooms 302 and 410 (to be installed in June).

We want to thank all of the class parents, Book Fair volunteers, everyone who participated in the Passover Candy Sale and the Flea Market. Your support makes all the difference in the world!

If you have new ideas for events next year, please give us a call. We would love to hear from you.

Have a happy and safe summer! See you at the Welcome Coffees.

— Marlene Muskin

The PAS Bereavement Group

Park Avenue Synagogue has formed a Bereavement Group for anyone who has lost a loved one or a close friend. It is facilitated by **Dr. Sheila Erlich**, a licensed psychologist.

The group will meet at **7:30 P.M.** on three Wednesday evenings in June and July: on **Wednesday, June 7, June 21 and July 26.**

For further information about this group, please call Rabbi Stern at 369-2600.

Two Men's Club June Events:

The Men's Club Annual Outing to Yankee Stadium

Thursday, June 15 at 7 P.M.

(Yankees vs. Chicago White Sox)

Tickets: \$35 for members;
\$40 for non-members.

Everyone is welcome to join the Men's Club for this annual fun-filled event!

The Men's Club's Annual End-of-Year Dinner
Wednesday, June 21, 7 P.M.

Mendy's West
208 West 70th Street

Join the Men's Club for an evening of camaraderie at its popular end-of-year event. To make your reservations or for additional information about either of these two events, please call Fred or Danielle at (212) 371-3933.

Book of Remembrance Publishing Deadline

Friday, June 30

Park Avenue Synagogue publishes a Book of Remembrance every year, for Yom Kippur, in which members of our congregation can list the names of their departed loved ones. The deadline for the inclusion of names to be listed is Friday, June 30.

Since there is no carryover of listings from one year to the next, the names of loved ones must be resubmitted every year.

Names of the deceased listed in the Book of Remembrance are memorialized when Yizkor is recited four times during the year, during the Yizkor Memorial Services on Yom Kippur and on the second day of the Festivals of Sukkot and Shavuot. During Passover, the Yizkor Memorial Service takes place on the eighth day of Passover.

The publishing deadline is a firm one. Therefore, to avoid disappointment, return the card you will receive in the mail promptly.

A Reminder!

Please remember to notify the business office of the synagogue with any changes either in your home or business address and/or your home or business telephone number.

The Women's Evening Group's Annual Shabbat Service

Friday, June 2 at 6:15 P.M.

Guest Speaker: Eva Moskowitz, New York City Council Member

Eva Moskowitz earned her Ph.D. from John Hopkins University and taught American history at Vanderbilt University, the University of Virginia and the City University of New York. She chaired the American Studies Faculty Seminar at Columbia University from 1996 to 1999. Dr. Moskowitz is the author of a book on the role of psychology in American culture, *The Therapeutic Gospel*, soon to be published by the Johns Hopkins University Press, and has produced and directed a documentary on the changing roles of women in the post-World War II period.

As the newest member of the New York City Council, Eva Moskowitz sits on the Education, Governmental Operations, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Contracts Committees.

The Shabbat service will be followed by a **Congregational Shabbat Dinner** (*advance reservations required*).

WEG hopes to see you that evening.

Jewish Theological Seminary Dinner Honoring Fredric H. Mack

Tuesday Evening, June 6

Congratulations

Park Avenue Synagogue extends a hearty Mazal Tov to:

Ms. Danielle Upbin, upon her engagement to Rabbi David Weizman.

Mr. & Mrs. Hal Upbin, upon the engagement of their daughter, Danielle, to Rabbi David Weizman.

With Pride and Congratulations

Park Avenue Synagogue takes great pride in the accomplishments of its students and wishes them continuing success in their future academic studies. To:

William Bressman, Lisa Harris, Margot Kaminski and Zachary Podolsky, who will be attending Harvard College.

Justin Karr, who will be attending the University of Pennsylvania.

High Holiday Ushers are Vitally Needed!

The congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue is very proud of the exceptional beauty and decorum of its Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. In addition to the outstanding role of its clergy, the synagogue once had a large corps of volunteer ushers who helped to ensure the dignity and decorum of the High Holy Day services. Because of their dedicated and tireless efforts, our High Holiday services have always been a model of propriety.

However, over the years, the number of these ushers has declined steadily, while the congregation has grown significantly larger. Now, the synagogue is calling for congregants, both **men** and **women** alike, to volunteer to usher for the High Holy Days. Ushers are vitally needed in all locations, for the service in the Main Sanctuary, both downstairs and in the balcony, as well as for the service in the Hall of Worship and the Lemberg Auditorium.

Please seriously consider volunteering for this most important function. You will really be performing a **mitzvah**, especially at the most important time of the Jewish year.

To volunteer to usher, please call Barrie Modlin at the synagogue office. He will be most pleased to hear from you!

PAS Early Childhood Center Applications

Member families who would like to apply to the Park Avenue Synagogue Early Childhood Center for the 2001-02 school year are asked to call the school and request an application form between now and June 30, 2000. (After that date the school will be closed until mid-August.)

All children who were born before April 1, 1999 are eligible for school in September, 2001. The PAS Early Childhood Center adheres strictly to its cut-off dates. Families who have been active longtime members of the synagogue are given special consideration. However, this does not guarantee acceptance because of the need to balance groups in a variety of ways.

There is an application fee of \$40 per child. The application process includes a visit and tour of the school by one or both parents and a separate visit with the child.

For the September, 2000 school year, there were approximately 50 openings. It will be very helpful to have some idea prior to September as to how many eligible member families are interested in a place for the 2001-02 school term. This will enable us to determine how many applications from new members or non-members we will be able to accept. Thank you for your cooperation.

Synagogue Summer Schedule

Religious Services: Friday evenings at 6:15 P.M.; Saturday mornings at 9:15 A.M.; Saturday evenings at 6 P.M.

Daily Minyanim: Sundays and legal holidays at 9 A.M. and 5:45 P.M.; Monday through Friday mornings at 7:15 A.M.; Monday through Thursday evenings at 5:45 P.M.

Tisha B'Av Service: Wednesday evening, August 9 at 8 P.M.

Synagogue Office: Mondays through Thursdays 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.; Fridays 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

The Edmond de Rothschild Library:

Will close for the summer on Thursday, June 8 and will reopen at 3 P.M. on Tuesday, September 5.

From the Edmond de Rothschild Library

To facilitate the computerization of the library, it will not be able to lend books for the summer months.

Please return all library books and videos by June 7. The library will be open during its regular hours from June 1 through June 7.

It will close for the summer (June-August) on June 8 and will reopen on Tuesday, September 5.

Thank you for your cooperation. Enjoy your summer!

— Ilana Abend-David, Librarian

The PAS/Men's Club Employment Bank

The PAS/Men's club Employment Bank is a **no cost way** for congregants who have positions to fill to find those seeking positions. If you have a position to fill or are looking for a job, please forward your job description or resume to Leon Heller's attention at the syna-

gogue office, or call (212) 369-2600 and leave the receptionist your name, phone number and a brief message.

Park Avenue Synagogue Bikur Cholim

Did you know...?

- If you are in hospital, a Park Avenue Synagogue Bikur Cholim member can visit you.
- If you wish to celebrate Shabbat or Yomtov while in hospital, Park Avenue Synagogue Bikur Cholim will supply candles and challah.
- If you just want company in hospital, or while recuperating at home, give us a call!

To contact Park Avenue Synagogue Bikur Cholim, call Rabbi Lincoln's secretary at 369-2600, ext. 149.

The Rabbi Judah Nadich High School Graduation Service

The graduation service for students in the Rabbi Judah Nadich High School will take place in the Main Sanctuary at 9:15 A.M. on Saturday morning, June 10. The graduates will participate in the Shabbat Shavuot service by reading from the Torah and sharing with the congregation their thoughts and feelings about their experiences in the high school. A buffet lunch in honor of the graduates, compliments of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will follow the service. This year's high school graduates are:

William Bressman	Andrew Lebwohl
Lisa Harris	Malcolm Levine
Justin Karr	Zachary Podolsky
Julien Laor	Jason Pruzansky

Attention High School Students Looking for a summer job? Need community service credit?

If so, you can obtain these and, at the same time, help the Park Avenue Synagogue Edmond de Rothschild Library move into the 21st Century!

The hours are flexible. For more information, please call Ilana Abend-David at 369-2600, ext. 136, or drop into the library and speak to her about how you can help both your synagogue and yourself!

Condolences

Park Avenue Synagogue extends heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved of our congregation and to their families. To:

- Mrs. Roberta Amon, upon the death of her father, Joseph Model.
- Mr. Jonathan Bernstein, upon the death of his brother, Michael Bernstein.
- Mr. Joseph B. Einsidler, upon the death of his father, Samuel Einsidler.
- Mr. Colin Gaines, upon the death of his father, Dr. Monroe Gaines.
- Mr. Mitchell Kossoff, upon the death of his father, Burton Kossoff.
- Mrs. Phyllis Kossoff, upon the death of her husband, Burton Kossoff.
- Mr. Bennett Model, upon the death of his father, Joseph Model.

Contributions Synagogue Offerings

- Dr. James Aisenberg, in memory of his beloved mother, Nadya Aisenberg.
- Mr. Arthur Ascher, in memory of his beloved mother, Rose Ascher.
- Mrs. Anita Bayer, in memory of her beloved husband, Elias Bayer.
- Dorothy F. Becker, in memory of Joseph Fuhrman.
- Dorothy F. Becker, in memory of Eugene Weiner.
- Mrs. Fannie Belier, in memory of Joseph Fuhrman.
- Mrs. Marilyn Berman, in memory of her beloved mother, Florence Solomon.
- Mrs. Marilyn Berman, in memory of her beloved father, Jerome Solomon.
- Robert & Judith Block, in honor of Dr. David Steinberg.
- Mrs. Amy Bressman, in honor of her birthday.
- Paul & Edna Burak, in memory of Rivka Nissim, mother of Paola Schuihof.
- Mr. Wolfe R. Charney, in memory of his beloved mother Miriam Charney.
- Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Chavkin, in memory of Danya Langfan's mother.
- Mrs. Carol Cohen, in memory of her beloved father, Reuben Herman.
- Ms. Judith Cohen, in memory of her beloved father, Everett Herbert Cohen.
- Mrs. Phyllis Cornell, in memory of her beloved husband, Dr. Albert Cornell.
- Dr. Rhoda Cutler, in honor of her birthday.
- Ms. Beverly Diamond, in memory of her

- beloved mother, Pearl Diamond.
- Miss Dorothy Diamond, in memory of her beloved mother, Pearl Diamond.
- Mrs. Dorothy Edelman, in memory of her beloved father, Julius Gulkis.
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- Mrs. Frances Kirshenbaum, in memory of her beloved brother, Samuel Gorfine.
- Mrs. Frances Kirshenbaum, in honor of her birthday.
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- Mr. Harry Krieger, in honor of Helen Hahn, upon the marriage of her granddaughter Barbara Glasser, to Steven Blinn.
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- Mr. Harry Krieger, in honor of the birth of Hannah Brooke Kekst, granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Gershon Kekst.
- Mr. Harry Krieger, in honor of Judge David & Florence Edelstein's birthdays and their 60th anniversary.
- Mr. Harry Krieger, in honor of Irene Eisenberg's milestone birthday.
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- Ms. Eileen Lewis-Lurin, in honor of her birthday.
- Mr. Larry Lurin, in memory of his beloved mother, Shella Lurin.
- Mr. Alvin B. Marks, in honor of his birthday.
- Mr. David S. Mitchell, in memory of his beloved father, Albert H. Mitchell.
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Bikur Cholim

Bunny Abraham, with many thanks to those who cared when I was ill.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS for June 2000

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
THE EDMOND DE ROTHSCHILD LIBRARY The library will be open during its regular hours from June 1 through June 7. It will close for the summer (June-August) on June 8 and will re-open on Tuesday, September 5th.				1 6:30 P.M. School Board Meeting	2 6:15 P.M. WEG Annual Shabbat Service & Congregational Shabbat Dinner Light Candles 8:02 P.M.	3 9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Maya Leigh Sekons 6 P.M. Afternoon & Evening Service & Study
4	5 7:30 P.M. WEG Board Meeting	6 8 A.M. Talmud on Tuesday Morning with Rabbi David Lincoln 1 P.M. Retirees Group 6 P.M. JTS Dinner Honoring Fredric H. Mack	7 7:30 P.M. Bereavement Group	8 Erev Shavuot 7:30 P.M. Tikun Leyl Shavuot Service Light Candles 8:05 P.M.	9 First Day of Shavuot 7:30 A.M. Hashkama Service 9:15 A.M. Service 6:15 P.M. Friday Night Service Light Candles 8:06 P.M.	10 Second Day of Shavuot 7:30 A.M. Hashkama Service 9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service Rabbi Judah Nadich High School Graduation 6 P.M. Afternoon & Evening Service & Study
11	12	13 8 A.M. Talmud on Tuesday Morning with Rabbi David Lincoln 12 Noon Sisterhood Board Meeting 1 P.M. Retirees Group 7 P.M. Annual Sherr Lecture by Rabbi Irving Greenberg	14 Summer Camp Clothing Drive	15 Summer Camp Clothing Drive 7 P.M. Men's Club Outing to Yankee Stadium	16 6:15 P.M. Friday Night Service & Children's Birthday Celebration for June - August Birthdays Light Candles 8:09 P.M.	17 9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Brittany Alexa Sugarman 6 P.M. Afternoon & Evening Service & Study
18	19	20 8 A.M. Talmud on Tuesday Morning with Rabbi David Lincoln 1 P.M. Retirees Group	21 7 P.M. Men's Club Annual End-of-Year Dinner 7:30 P.M. Bereavement Group	22 7:15 P.M. PAS Singles Dance	23 6:15 P.M. Friday Night Service Light Candles 8:11 P.M.	24 9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Allison Tannenbaum 6 P.M. Afternoon & Evening Service & Study
26	27	28 8 A.M. Talmud on Tuesday Morning with Rabbi David Lincoln 1 P.M. Retirees Group	29	30 6:15 P.M. Friday Night Service Light Candles 8:11 P.M.	REMEMBER THE DAILY MINYANIM Monday-Friday at 7:15 A.M. Sundays and Legal Holidays at 9 A.M. Sunday-through Thursday at 5:45 P.M. Saturday at 6 P.M.	

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Women's Evening Group

Library Fund

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Prayer Book Fund

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July 7	8:10 P.M.	August 4	7:48 P.M.
14	8:06 P.M.	11	7:39 P.M.
21	8:02 P.M.	18	7:29 P.M.
28	7:55 P.M.	25	7:19 P.M.

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